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CITY'S OFFICE OF SUSTAINABILITY ANNOUNCES 5TH ANNUAL POST - HOLIDAY RECYCLING EVENT

INDIANAPOLIS – The City's Office of Sustainability, in partnership with Indy Parks and Keep Indianapolis Beautiful, will offer four drop-off locations for its Post-Holiday Recycling Event on Saturday, January 8, 2011 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

For the fifth year in a row, Indianapolis residents will have the opportunity to recycle unwanted electronics and holiday waste. The following items will be accepted at this year's event.

- Real Christmas Trees
- Gift boxes
- Cardboard boxes
- Styrofoam (molded, white only)
- Old electronics
- Magazines and catalogs
- Mail, school and office paper

Also, the "Paper Retriever" Program will be participating in this year's event. Paper Retriever is a simple paper recycling program that directly benefits the community as well as the environment. Schools, churches, and other non-profit organizations house green and yellow Paper Retriever bins for members of the community to fill with recyclable paper goods. This year, all proceeds from the collection of magazines, catalogs, paper and mail at the below collection sites will be donated to Keep Indianapolis Beautiful.

In 2010, the event brought in a record amount of recyclable materials, including over ninety-seven tons of electronics; this is a thirty-five percent increase in electronics collected at the 2009 event.

Residents are asked to remove all ornaments, lights, tree stands, plastic bags, nails and other decorations from Christmas trees before drop-off. No artificial trees will be accepted.

Recyclables will be accepted at the following locations. Follow signs within each park to the specific drop-off locations.

- Broad Ripple Park, 1610 Broad Ripple Ave., south lot
- Ellenberger Park, 5301 E. St. Clair St., west of pool in main parking lot
- Garfield Park, 2450 S. Shelby St., McAllister Center parking lot
- Krannert Park, 605 S. High School Road, north parking lot

To learn more about Mayor Ballard's vision of making Indianapolis one of the most sustainable cities in the Midwest, visit www.sustainindy.org.

Paper Retriever is a subsidiary program of AbitibiBowater. For more information, visit www.paperretriever.com.

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